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[¶1.](#) (U) On April 29, the Finnish Ministry for Foreign Affairs signed a Memorandum of Understanding to join the Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership (REEEP). Dr. Maranne Osterkorn, International Director at REEEP, attended the signing ceremony at the British Embassy in Helsinki. Finland is the 31st government to join REEEP.

[¶2.](#) (U) Initially Finland will not provide direct funding support to REEEP, instead preferring to focus on promoting its Energy and Environment Partnership with Central America (EEP). (See reftel).

[¶3.](#) (U) Both REEEP and Finland's EEP were inaugurated at the Johannesburg World Summit on Sustainable Development in 2002 and have subsequently become important initiatives in promoting the development of renewable energy sources and energy efficiency.
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